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At this time the Chair would like to recognize two guests of Senator Frank Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Wineland under the North balcony. Welcome to the Legislature.

Mr. Clerk, is there anything further on the desk at this time? LB 118.

CLERK: Read title.

PRESIDENT: Excuse me. Mr. Clerk, Senator Dickinson arises, for what purpose Senator?

SENATOR DICKINSON: Mr. Speaker, this is new language for me, at your suggestion a point of privilege of the house to ask a question of you and/or our Speaker please. I think it ought to be clarified, since we have some bills we're considering today, tomorrow and the next day that have been pulled out of line on General File, presumably because they're non-controversial. The very first one failed to advance. I think that we all are interested and ought to know what now happens to that bill. Does it go back . . . does it maintain it's position at the top of General File? Does it go back where it was to be, perhaps, considered again when it comes up again? Or what?

PRESIDENT: Could you respond Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, and Senator Dickinson, in response to your question I'm going to say that the bills will be retained in their order on the worksheet as it is. Now, for example, LB 500 advances. . . or let us assume that it fails. It will stay in that position on the second column at the bottom of the file. I say this so that everyone will know where their bills are. I am not asking for a slow down in debate. I thought that we were picking less controversial bills this morning. Of course, there is no way to say when a bill is controversial or not. We will proceed on the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday forenoon as far as we can. Wednesday afternoon we'll leave those bills, if there are any remaining and work on those that are set aside for Wednesday afternoon. On Wednesday afternoon if there is any objection, someone wants to speak against the bill, then we'll automatically pass over that bill and that bill will also retain its position on the board until some other time that we attempt to do again what we're doing this morning. The main reason for changing these, and I think I made it clear the other day, there is no work, only two bills on E & R for initial. Only two on Select File. Now to work out the workload for the Enrollment and Review Board or committee I thought it was important that while we're in Easter recess and vacation that there be a reasonable amount of work for this office to do. That's the reason. We will keep them in the order that they now appear on the worksheet.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dickinson.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Well thank you very much. I think that clarifies the issue.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Clerk are you ready to proceed with General File?